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Selectmen's Report.

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To the Taxpayers of the Town of Rutland :

During the past year we have drawn 54 orders, aggregating \$4,224.31. This is \$,292.20 less in amount than the previous year. A detailed list of orders and for what purpose drawn is appended. The orders may be classified as follows:—

Interest on bonds and surplus fund.....	\$ 529 56
Bond paid Nov. 1st, 1897.....	1,000 00
State and county taxes.....	1,875 48
Damages to sheep by dogs.....	56 00
Repairs on bridges, insurance and lighting.....	195 66
Miscellaneous	567 61
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	\$4,224 31

The bonded indebtedness of the town is now \$4,842, and the interest thereon has been kept paid, and the net liabilities of the town on general account are \$2,384.25 less than last year, as appears from a comparison of the auditors' report with that of last year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. LESTER, }
J. D. BILLINGS, } Selectmen.
P. C. HULIHAN, }

Rutland, February 11, 1898.

ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN.

No.	To Whom.	For What.	Amount.
283	L. R. Pinney, work as auditor, etc.....	\$ 6 00	
284	Commercial Printing Co., Town Reports, 1897...	24 00	
285	J. W. Blanchard, plank, Wells bridge.....	38 13	
286	P. C. Hulihan, paid work Ctr. Rutland bridge...	16 00	
287	National Life Ins. Co., int. on bonds and order..	182 15	
288	H. F. Field, State Treas., state school and state highway taxes.....	908 40	
289	L. A. Willard, lumber for bridges.....	19 21	
290	H. F. Field, county treasurer, county tax.....	90 84	
291	Thos. Reiley, work as lister.....	33 00	
292	E. S. Slade, returning statistics and assisting listers	35 00	
293	Patrick Brown, cleaning Ctr. Rutland Cemetery	7 50	
294	L. R. Pinney, work as lister.....	28 00	
295	Wm. Higgins, work Billings bridge.....	3 00	
296	C. G. Lester, posts Lester bridge.....	8 25	
297	National Life Ins. Co., 1 bond and interest on bond and order.....	1,182 15	
298	Roger Reiley, light and oil Ctr. Rutland.....	16 80	
299	Eddy Bros., moving safe.....	5 00	
300	E. Eddy, work as lister.....	25 00	
301	G. A. Stocker, word on cemetery.....	2 25	
302	H. F. Field, state treas., state tax.....	876 24	
303	E. S. Slade, treas., insurance on bridges, 1896 ...	17 60	
304	Rutland Free Library, appropriation.....	50 00	
305	L. A. Willard, plank on bridge.....	30 00	
306	W. H. Dunton, damage to sheep.....	40 00	
307	Jas. Eayres, damage to sheep.....	4 00	
308	Richard Sharp, damage to sheep.....	4 00	
309	F. D. Proctor, damage to sheep.....	8 00	
310	L. G. Kingsley, nails for bridges.....	1 00	
311	Vt. Marble Co., supplies for bridges.....	3 35	
312	Vt. Marble Co., rent town hall 2 years.....	20 00	
313	D. M. White Lumber Co., lumber for bridges.....	11 42	
314	W. H. Dunton, water trough.....	2 50	
315	J. H. Blake, water trough.....	2 50	
316	F. M. Mellow, water trough.....	2 50	
317	H. Bolduc, water trough.....	2 50	
318	E. E. Shedd, exr., water trough.....	2 50	
319	W. H. Lester, water trough.....	2 50	

No.	To Whom.	For What.	Amount.
		\$	2 50
320	Alfred Perkins, water trough.....		17 60
321	E. S. Slade, treas., ins. on bridges 1897.....		25 00
322	A. J. Russell, salary school director.....		25 00
323	Grant Boardman, salary school director.....		25 00
324	F. A. Gorten, salary school director.....		10 00
325	W. H. Lester, salary selectman.....		10 00
326	P. C. Hulihan, salary selectman.....		10 00
327	J. D. Billings, salary selectman.....		75 00
328	H. E. Seward, salary overseer.....		4 50
329	W. H. Lester, railings, etc. on bridges.....		8 80
330	Roger Reiley, lighting Ctr. Rutland bridge.....		118 86
331	Edward Dana, court fees and services.....		2 00
332	M. L. Thomas, services auditor.....		4 00
333	Thos. McDermott, services auditor.....		2 00
334	A. W. Perkins, services auditor.....		7 50
335	G. E. Pelton, order books		165 26
336	H. H. Dyer, trustee, interest on surplus fund.....		
			<hr/> \$4,224 31

Road Commissioner's Report.

ORDERS DRAWN.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Mar.	2 488	Justin Sears.....	\$ 1 65
Apr.	24 489	Arthur Emerson.....	1 76
	28 490	C. A. Perkins.....	3 50
May	14 491	Justin Sears.....	3 30
June	7 492	John C. Fuller.....	1 00
	19 493	Mark Lewis.....	7 50
		494 L. K. Osgood.....	20 00
		495 G. W. Pelkey.....	7 50
		496 G. A. Stocker.....	6 00
		497 E. Tronsoe.....	6 00
	21 498	A. L. Gillam.....	3 10
July	2 499	Mike McLaughlin.....	1 00
June	30 500	Chas. Wood.....	10 20
July	3 501	Edwin Thompson.....	10 35
		502 Col. Potter.....	6 00
		503 Bryan Farrell.....	7 50
		504 N. Ladabouche.....	8 75
		505 L. K. Osgood.....	74 50
		506 Jas. Fisk.....	45 50
	5 507	Jas. Eayres.....	12 00
	10 508	N. Ladabouche.....	3 75
		509 W. H. Seward.....	34 60
		510 Laban Capron.....	15 00
		511 Thos. Stringham.....	3 50
		512 Geo. Potter.....	4 50
		513 Moses Williams.....	75
		514 Benjamin Greeno.....	7 00
		515 H. E. Seward.....	16 00
		516 Ed. Seward.....	10 00
13	517	W. C. Kimball.....	10 00
19	518	A. J. Russell.....	43 05

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
July	19	519 F. L. Beebe.....	\$ 13 00
		520 Frank Moore.....	3 50
		521 B. W. Pond.....	8 00
		522 H. E. Colburn.....	10 50
		523 J. Cook.....	10 50
Aug.	7	524 A. L. Gillam.....	6 70
	9	525 W. H. Pike.....	10 00
	21	526 C. E. New.....	1 25
Sept.	6	527 N. C. Thomas.....	5 00
		528 C. D. Shedd.....	2 25
	24	529 Moses Williams.....	3 00
	25	530 Alden Williams.....	5 10
	27	531 L. K. Osgood.....	23 07
	28	532 W. H. Seward.....	17 37
Oct.	2	533 Richard Sharp.....	22 50
		534 E. P. Gleason.....	23 40
		535 Grant Boardman.....	9 00
	7	536 Joel Todd.....	25 00
	9	537 Rodney Hubbard.....	47 13
		538 Chas. White.....	15 88
		539 Joel Todd.....	5 00
		540 Julius Knipes.....	10 88
		541 Chas. Daniels.....	7 13
		542 Wm. Daniels.....	11 63
		543 F. S. Hart.....	18 00
		544 F. A. Gorton.....	25 13
	12	545 Roger Riley.....	45 75
		546 L. A. Green.....	64 08
		547 E. M. Woodruff.....	7 00
	15	548 Henry Richardson.....	96 18
		549 C. E. New.....	4 75
	22	550 B. F. Butterfield.....	10 00
	25	551 Jas. Fisk.....	15 75
		552 John Fisk.....	15 75
		553 A. W. Whitney.....	17 50
		554 J. H. Noyes.....	10 50
		555 J. W. Noyes.....	4 50
		556 Frank Gibson.....	7 50
		557 T. O. Gibson.....	16 62
		558 I. J. Lewis.....	7 50
		559 Mark Lewis.....	7 50
		560 C. Brown.....	7 50
		561 J. H. Hewett.....	7 50
		562 C. B. Noyes.....	1 50

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
Oct.	25	563 J. C. Putnam.....	\$ 4 50
	24	564 W. Como.....	4 50
	26	565 Justin Sears.....	9 15
		566 C. A. Perkins.....	17 50
		567 Ira W. Hawley.....	6 30
		568 A. L. Davis.....	30 25
	28	569 W. H. Lester.....	44 00
	29	570 G. A. Stocker.....	3 00
		571 J. T. Kellogg.....	7 00
		572 Edgar Davis.....	72 30
		573 Matthew McCormick.....	29 00
Nov.	2	574 A. J. Russell.....	16 00
		575 C. Crowley.....	4 50
		576 J. H. Brown.....	13 50
		577 J. D. Billings.....	51 00
	5	578 M. L. Thomas.....	9 00
	6	579 A. G. Fuller.....	18 00
	10	580 Wm. Daniels.....	3 75
	16	581 Mark Lewis.....	1 50
	17	582 Geo. Capron.....	5 70
	18	583 Col. Potter.....	8 50
		584 Bryan Farrell.....	6 00
		585 Ben Demerast.....	1 50
	23	586 W. H. Pike.....	17 50
	27	587 A. G. Fuller.....	7 00
		288 Winslow Eddy.....	4 50
Dec.	1	589 Justin Sears.....	2 70
	2	590 C. A. Perkins.....	8 00
	3	591 Wm. Como.....	4 50
		592 Jos. Tronseo.....	3 00
	4	593 A. L. Gillam.....	27 00
		594 Merchants' Bank.....	8 50
	8	595 Oscar Wood.....	7 20
		596 Edwin Thompson.....	1 20
		597 E. M. Pennock.....	8 50
	10	598 F. R. Patch Mfg. Co.....	5 43
		599 Mrs. Laura Cramton.....	8 50
	11	600 H. E. Colburn.....	7 00
	15	601 N. Ladabouche.....	3 50
		602 Matthew McCormick.....	7 00
		603 John Knipes.....	75
	20	604 C. G. Lester.....	3 00
		605 E. Eddy.....	17 80
	22	606 Jas. Chapman.....	6 00

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
Dec.	24	607 Jas. Fisk.....	\$ 3 75
		608 Frank Gibson.....	1 35
	28	609 E. M. Pennock.....	4 00
1898.			
Jan.	14	610 Henry Bolduc.....	1 45
	28	611 Roger Riley.....	16 80
Feb.	3	612 Jerry Thornton.....	4 50
		613 M. McLaughlin.....	4 50
	4	614 Robert Davis.....	8 75
		615 Col. Potter.....	9 50
		616 Bryan Farrell.....	7 50
		617 Ben Demerast.....	6 00
	5	618 F. J. Provo.....	2 95
	7	619 B. F. Butterfield.....	1 60
		620 Louis Avery.....	5 00
		621 J. H. Blake.....	44 00
		622 Ed. Hoose.....	1 87
		623 E. Williams.....	52
		624 Edwin Thompson.....	3 82
		625 Oscar Wood.....	30
		626 Ira Hawley.....	2 55
		627 W. Davis.....	75
		628 Bennett Dimick.....	30
		629 C. Noyes.....	90
		630 Mike Owens.....	90
		631 Henry Tucker.....	1 50
		632 E. Williams.....	1 30
		633 Geo. Capron.....	45
		634 E. M. Pennock.....	1 80
		635 T. O. Gibson.....	2 00
		636 H. E. Seward.....	4 75
	8	637 E. E. Thomas.....	2 50
	11	638 L. K. Osgood.....	92 00
			<hr/> \$1,837 45

Respectfully submitted,

L. K. OSGOOD,

Road Commissioner.

Overseer's Report.

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To the Taxpayers of the Town of Rutland:

As overseer of the poor of your town, I herewith submit my report for your consideration. I have given and paid all orders up to March 1, 1898. There have been two deaths this year, Mrs. Anne Hulette and Wm. Higgins. The orders drawn by me during the year ending February 9, 1898, amount to \$539.26, over two hundred dollars less than last year, as follows:

Samuel Santwire, four in family.....	\$ 179 06
Agnes Hulette, one in family.....	118 95
Arthur J. Hathaway, seven in family.....	10 00
C. O. Sumner, six in family	67 96
Mrs. Thomas Woods, four in family.....	11 90
Mrs. J. D. Miller, four in family.....	17 94
Mrs. Bridget O'Niel, one in family.....	18 38
Felix Cole, six in family	22 50
Mrs. Anne Hulette, one in family.....	62 03
Peter Watterland, ten in family.....	11 54
William Higgins, two in family.....	19 00
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	\$539 26

DETAILED STATEMENT OF ORDERS.

FOR SAMUEL SANTWIRE.			
Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Mar.	6	436 E. J. Thomas.....	\$ 5 00
		437 C. C. Store	4 00
		438 H. E. Seward.....	3 00

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
Mar.	24	442 E. J. Thomas.....	\$ 2 00
	26	445 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
Apr.	8	449 E. J. Thomas.....	4 00
	28	451 C. C. Store.....	6 00
May	7	454 H. E. Seward.....	4 00
	12	456 E. J. Thomas.....	6 00
June	2	457 E. J. Thomas.....	6 00
	3	458 H. E. Seward.....	3 00
July	1	463 H. E. Seward.....	3 00
		464 C. C. Store	6 00
	22	465 E. J. Thomas.....	6 00
Aug.	2	466 H. E. Seward.....	3 00
		467 C. C. Store.....	3 00
	9	469 E. J. Thomas.....	6 00
Sept.	2	470 H. E. Seward.....	4 00
	21	472 E. J. Thomas.....	6 00
Oct.	2	476 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
	25	478 C. C. Store.....	6 00
Nov.	13	479 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
	28	481 E. J. Thomas.....	6 00
	30	484 C. C. Store.....	3 00
Dec.	1	485 W. C. Landon.....	4 00
	2	486 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
1898.			
Jan.	4	490 W. C. Landon.....	2 00
	5	491 A. F. Baird.....	5 06
		492 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
	25	494 E. J. Thomas.....	8 00
Feb.	2	497 W. C. Landon.....	2 00
		498 H. E. Seward.....	3 00
	9	505 Dr. C. M. Marstin.....	40 00
	11	500 C. C. Store.....	9 00
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			\$179 06

FOR AGNES HULETTE.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Mar.	1	430 Ethan Hulette.....	\$ 15 00
		433 Colvin & Co.....	2 19
	17	439 Mary White.....	1 15
Apr.	8	447 Ross Bros.....	1 86
	21	450 Mrs. J. Brown.....	2 00

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
May	3	452 Ethan Hulette.....	13 \$ 50
Aug.	9	468 Ethan Hulette.....	13 50
Sept.	28	475 Ethan Hulette.....	18 00
Dec.	7	487 Clauson & Young.....	3 25
	28	489 Ethan Hulette.....	20 50
1898.			
Jan.	11	493 Jennie Seward.....	5 00
Feb.	8	502 Ethan Hulette.....	13 50
	9	504 Dr. C. M. Marstin.....	7 50
		507 Dr. J. E. Thomson.....	2 00
			<hr/> \$118 95

FOR ARTHUR J. HATHAWAY.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
June	4	459 H. E. Seward.....	\$ 10 00

FOR C. O. SUMNER.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Feb.	26	420 E. J. Thomas.....	\$ 3 16
		421 Duffy & Clifford.....	6 20
		422 Wilson & Root.....	57
		423 Ross & Bro.....	1 10
	27	424 F. A. Gorton.....	1 75
		425 Dr. H. L. Newell.....	15 50
		426 Clauson & Young.....	6 60
		427 H. E. Seward.....	3 50
		429 C. W. Ward.....	1 05
Mar.	17	440 E. J. Thomas.....	3 16
	24	441 E. J. Thomas.....	4 37
		443 Dr. H. L. Newell.....	7 00
	26	444 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
	28	446 F. A. Gorton.....	12 00
1898.			
Jan.	25	496 Duffy & Clifford.....	3 00
			<hr/> \$67 96

FOR MRS. THOMAS WOODS.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Sept.	27	473 E. J. Thomas.....	\$ 5 00
	28	474 H. E. Seward.....	2 00
Nov.	28	482 E. J. Thomas.....	3 00
	30	483 Miner & Thomas.....	90
Dec.	7	488 Clauson & Young.....	1 50
			<hr/> \$11 90

FOR MRS. J. D. MILLER.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Mar.	6	435 E. J. Thomas.....	\$ 2 59
Apr.	8	448 E. J. Thomas.....	3 39
June	2	456 Vt. Marble Co.'s Store, by A. W. Whiting order, 1895.....	11 96
			<hr/> \$17 94

FOR MRS. BRIDGET O'NIEL.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Feb.	27	428 Clauson & Young.....	\$ 1 95
June	30	460 A. Brown.....	2 50
	30	461 Ross Bros.....	4 43
	30	462 Miss N. Mullin.....	2 00
1898.			
Feb.	3	499 Mrs. N. Porter.....	7 50
			<hr/> \$18 38

FOR FELIX COLE.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
May	3	453 Melvina Richard.....	\$ 4 50
Sept.	20	471 Mary Durwin.....	6 00
Oct.	25	477 Delia German.....	7 50
Nov.	28	480 Josephine Pury.....	4 50
			<hr/> \$22 50

FOR MRS. ANNE HULETTE.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1897.			
Feb.	20 419	Dr. C. M. Marstin.....	\$ 23 00
Mar.	1 431	Ethan Hulette.....	27 00
	432	Barney Devine.....	3 00
	434	M. G. McCormick.....	9 03
			<hr/> \$62 03

FOR PETER WATTERLAND.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1898.			
Jan.	25 495	E. J. Thomas.....	\$ 3 00
Feb.	8 501	Vt. Marble Co.'s Store.....	8 54
			<hr/> \$11 54

FOR WM. HIGGINS.

Date.	No.	To Whom.	Amount.
1898.			
Feb.	9 503	Dr. C. M. Marstin.....	\$ 3 00
	9 506	Dr. J. E. Thomson.....	16 00
			<hr/> \$19 00

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. SEWARD,

Overseer of the Poor.

School Commissioners' Report.

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To the Taxpayers of the Town of Rutland:—

The total orders drawn by the school commissioners during the past year amount to \$2539.47 of which we have paid for repairs about \$100.00, but the balance is for ordinary expenses of the schools.

Below is a detailed list of orders, to whom drawn, and for what purpose. We estimate that the necessary expenses for the coming year will be about the same as last year, and recommend the same tax.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. RUSSELL,
F. A. GORTON,
GRANT BOARDMAN, } School Commissioners.

ORDERS DRAWN BY SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

No.	To Whom.	For What.	Amount.
300	Emelie Roberts, salary.....	\$	24 00
301	Mary Meldon, salary.....		24 00
302	May McCormic, salary.....		21 00
303	Pierce, tuition.....		15 00
304	J. Belle Feasey, salary.....		50 00
305	O. T. Gibson, 15 cords of wood		45 50
306	Mabel Trask, salary.....		60 00
307	Gertrude Hill, salary.....		66 00
308	H. E. Dyer, salary.....		20 00
309	Wm. C. Davis, repairs.....		2 25

No.	To Whom.	For What.	Amount.
310	Walter Lester, building fires.....		3 00
311	Leslie Gibson, building fires.....		3 00
312	Norman Williams, building fires.....		3 00
313	B. R. Greenough, wood.....		1 00
314	John Carney, building fires.....		3 00
315	L. Belle Horton, salary.....		66 00
316	Margueritte Cloury, salary.....		70 00
317	Raymond Bowen, building fires.....		3 00
318	Mary H. Gibson, salary.....		66 00
319	Laura Gillam, building fires.....		3 00
320	F. A. Gorten, 2 cords of wood.....		10 00
321	E. S. Slade, taking census.....		11 12
322	C. D. Shedd, salary.....		30 00
323	Jonathan Knipes, cleaning.....		2 00
324	Mrs. H. E. Seward, cleaning.....		2 00
325	Polly Sears, cleaning.....		4 00
326	Ella Davis, cleaning.....		4 00
327	Mary Meldon, salary.....		32 00
328	May McCormic, salary.....		28 00
329	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		28 00
330	Mary Meldon, salary.....		32 00
331	May McCormic, salary.....		28 00
332	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		28 00
333	Grant Boardman, salary.....		10 26
334	Margueritte Cloury, salary.....		30 00
335	Mary Meldon, salary.....		32 00
336	May McCormic, salary.....		28 00
337	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		28 00
338	Roger Reiley, salary.....		28 00
339	Gertrude Hill, salary.....		60 00
340	Mary H. Gilson, salary.....		72 00
341	Grace E. Gould, salary.....		72 00
342	L. Belle Horton, salary.....		72 00
343	Herbert Tonslow, on flag.....		25
344	Dora M. Knight, salary.....		66 00
345	The Tuttle Co., supplies.....		5 79
346	W. C. Landon, supplies.....		1 20
347	Moseley & Stoddard Co., supplies.....		1 15
348	D. Dougherty, mason work.....		1 50
349	M. E. Cloury, salary.....		54 00
350	T. O. Gibson, cutting wood.....		14 75
351	Mary Meldon, salary.....		32 00
352	May McCormic, salary.....		28 00
353	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		28 00

No.	To Whom.	For What.	Amount.
354	M. J. Francisco, insurance.....		40 48
355	C. Ackley, work.....		3 00
356	E. Chase, work.....		50
357	N. A. Poreau, salary.....		24 00
358	Alice Horton, salary.....		48 00
359	Polly Sears, cleaning.....		2 00
360	F. J. Provo, making bolts.....		25
361	Mark Lewis, work.....		82
362	Wm. C. Davis, work etc. in Dis. 5.....		17 48
363	Mary Meldon, salary.....		32 00
364	May McCormic, salary.....		28 00
365	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		28 00
366	Anna L. Poore, salary.....		60 00
367	Mrs. J. Knipes, work.....		1 00
368	Raymond Bowen, building fires.....		2 00
369	D. M. White, lumber.....		12 84
370	L. Belle Horton, salary.....		72 00
371	N. A. Poreau, salary.....		48 00
372	Mary H. Gilson, salary.....		72 00
373	Grace Blanchard, salary.....		6 00
374	Mary Meldon, salary.....		32 00
375	May McCormic, salary.....		28 00
376	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		28 00
377	Roger Reiley, salary.....		29 00
378	Grant Boardman, books.....		2 23
379	The Tuttle Co., supplies.....		39 59
380	Jessie M. Davis, salary.....		60 00
381	Wm. Daniels, work.....		1 50
382	Vt. Marble Co., water rent.....		10 00
383	Silver Burdett & Co., writing books.....		11 20
384	American Express Co., express.....		45
385	Vt. Marble Co., coal and supplies.....		112 71
386	Mary H. Gibson, salary.....		24 00
387	Mark Lewis, work.....		2 25
388	C. Eckley, work.....		2 00
389	Mary Meldon, salary.....		40 00
390	May McCormic, salary.....		35 00
391	Beatrice Smith, salary.....		35 00
392	Eddy Bros., mortar.....		75
393	D. M. White, supplies.....		4 62
394	Dunn Bros., supplies.....		3 99
395	Vt. School Seat Co., seats and blackboards.....		71 04
396	E. M. Pierce, Town of Mendon, tuition.....		15 00

\$2,539 47

Town Agent's Report.

To the Taxpayers of the Town of Rutland:—

I herewith submit a report of the several suits in which the town is interested, and their condition:

TOWN OF CLARENDON V. TOWN OF RUTLAND.

This is a suit to recover the amount alleged to have been expended by the plaintiff in the care of Mrs. Matilda Mead, a pauper, who, it was claimed, belonged to Rutland to take care of. The case was appealed to the County Court, and tried March Term, 1897, and judgment rendered for the defendant. The town of Clarendon look it to the Supreme Court, where it is still pending.

CITY OF RUTLAND V. HENRY E. SEWARD.

This suit was brought by the City of Rutland to recover a penalty for alleged wrongfully transporting Mrs. Henry Tucker and child to her father's home in the city. The case stands for trial at the coming March Term of the County Court.

JAMES M. FISK V. TOWN OF RUTLAND.

This is a case where the plaintiff claims to recover a large sum for keeping the stallion "Incroyable," which was afterwards returned to Dr. Webb. It stands for trial at the coming March Term of the County Court.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. DYER,

Agent.

Rutland, February 11th, 1898.

Treasurer's Report.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

To balance from old account.....	\$ 159 04
To cash from dog licenses.....	59 20
To cash from taxpayers.....	6,041 92
To cash from J. W. Hanley, col. tax for 1896,	66 00
To cash from J. W. Hanley, col. tax for 1897,	37 05
To cash from J. W. Cramton, plank.....	5 00
To cash from H. E. Seward, furniture.....	6 00
To overdraft	591 71
	<u>\$6,965 92</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid selectmen's orders outstanding.....	\$ 1,864 12
" " " current year.....	4,464 57
" " " outstanding.....	24 38
" " " current year.....	529 26
" " " interest on orders outstanding.....	83 59
	<u>\$6,965 92</u>

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

To balance old account.....	\$ 359 72
To cash from taxpayers	1,611 18
" " state highway tax.....	178 31
" " J. W. Hanley, col., tax 1896.....	24 40
" " " " " 1897.....	9 88
	<u>\$2,183 49</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid orders outstanding.....	\$ 38 72
" interest on orders outstanding.....	3 50
" orders for current year.....	1,806 37
Balance to new account.....	334 90
	<u>\$2,183 49</u>

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

To cash from Huntington Fund.....	\$	47	22
" Rent of school lots.....		137	00
" State school tax.....		367	78
" Interest U. S. Surplus Fund.....		330	52
" A. J. Russell for hay.....		1	50
" General account for insurance on bridges.....		35	20
" Taxpayers		2,416	77
" J. W. Hanley on tax of 1896....		36	60
" " " 1897....		14	82
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		\$3,387	41

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid overdraft, old account.....	\$	87	39
" orders outstanding.....		30	73
" interest on orders outstanding.....		4	50
" orders for current year.....		2,518	48
Balance to new account.....		746	31
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		\$3,387	41

STATEMENT OF TAXES FOR 1897.

General tax.....75 cents	} \$1.25.....	\$10,986 32
Highway tax.....20 cents		
School tax.....30 cents		

Received from taxpayers direct.....	\$10,069 87
Four per cent discount.....	423 96
Treasurer's fees.....	101 71
Received from collector.....	61 75
Due from collector.....	329 03
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	\$10,986 32

Respectfully submitted,

E. S. SLADE,

Treasurer.

February 11, 1898.

Auditors' Report.

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To the Taxpayers of the Town of Rutland :

Your Board of Auditors report that they have examined the accounts of the treasurer and other officers, and all orders drawn by proper officers, and find that the treasurer has proper vouchers for all moneys he has paid out. We find the financial condition of the town to be as follows :

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

LIABILITIES.

Selectmen's orders outstanding.....	\$ 210 25
Selectmen's orders for U. S. surplus fund.....	2,754 25
Selectmen's orders settlement city of Rutland.....	2,253 37
Overseer's orders outstanding.....	13 50
Overdraft, general fund.....	591 71
Bonds held by National Life Insurance Co.....	4,842 00
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	\$10,665 08

Taxes estimated good.....\$ 100 00

Net total liabilities.....\$10,565 08

Taxes and other claims to be provided for the ensuing year to be paid out of general fund are as follows :

County tax payable June 1.....	43 81
State highway tax, payable June 10.....	438 12
State school tax, payable June 10.....	438 12
Balance state tax, due June 1	438 12
Bond, Due Nov. 1.....	1,000 00
Interest on bond and surplus fund, estimated.....	584 56
Orders outstanding and overdraft.....	815 46
Current expenses, estimated.....	1,600 00
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	\$5,358 19

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Cash in treasury.....	334 90
Taxes estimated good.....	20 00
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	\$354 90
Road commissioner's orders outstanding.....	31 15
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Net resources, highway account.....	\$ 323 75

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Cash in treasury.....	\$ 746 31
Taxes estimated good.....	30 00
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	\$776 31
Orders outstanding.....	20 99
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Net resources school account.....	\$ 755 32

Last year the town voted a tax of 75 cents on the dollar for the general fund. This produced \$6,078.97, as shown by the treasurer's report. We estimate that a tax of 65 cents on the dollar will raise a sum sufficient to meet all amounts required to be provided from the general fund, and we therefore recommend a general tax of 65 cents on the dollar, and a tax of 20 cents on the dollar for highways, and a tax of 30 cents on the dollar for schools.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. McDERMOTT, }
M. L. THOMAS, } Auditors.
A. W. PERKINS, }

February 11, 1898.

U. S. Surplus Fund.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE.

I have in my hands as trustee the U. S. surplus funds apportioned to the Town of Rutland, amounting to \$2,754.25. This is loaned to the Town, and I have as evidence orders Nos. 48 and 83. Interest has been paid to March 1, 1898.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. DYER,

Trustee.

Rutland, February 11, 1898.

School Superintendent's Report.

To the Citizens of the Town of Rutland:—

The school work of the year past has been in most respects very satisfactory, and much credit is due the faithful and pains-taking teachers.

Special attention has been given to mental arithmetic, with marked results.

The map drawing and composition work in certain schools are both worthy of mention.

Phonics were introduced by the teacher into one of our schools and the results are pleasing.

I would suggest the school commissioners allow at least one day during the year for teachers to visit other schools, whereby they get new ideas in regard to the work.

It would be both gratifying and encouraging to the teacher and pupils if the parents would manifest their interest in the work by at least one visit during each term.

I believe that much unjust criticism might be avoided if parents were more in sympathy with the teacher and her work.

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE N. GIBSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

NOTICE.

The legal voters of the Town of Rutland are hereby warned to meet at the Town Hall at Centre Rutland, on Tuesday, March 1st, 1898, at 10 o'clock A. M., to act upon the following matters, namely:—

1. To choose all necessary officers required by law.
2. To see if the town will vote to raise money by tax or otherwise to pay all current expenses, and the indebtedness of the town.
3. To see at what time the several taxes shall be due and payable.
4. To see what compensation the town will vote to town officers.
5. To see if the town will vote special taxes to provide for the balance of the State tax, and for the State School and State Highway taxes.
6. To choose grand and petit jurors.
7. To transact any other necessary, proper and legal business.

W. H. LESTER, } Selectmen
J. D. BILLINGS, }
P. C. HULIHAN, } of Rutland.

Rutland, Vt., February 11, 1898.

GRAND LIST FOR 1897, \$8,788.85.